Special Selectmen's Meeting May 5, 2009 Approved May 14, 2009 Harpswell Town Office

The meeting was called to order shortly after 9:00 a.m. Chairman James Henderson and Selectman Elinor Multer were present. Also present were Town Administrator Kristi Eiane, and the following members of the Carrying Place Assembly: Amy Haible, Gareth Anderson, Malcolm "Laddie" Whidden, and Sam Alexander (who joined the meeting around 9:15 a.m.).

Discussion focused on preparations for the Public Hearing on LD 1410 "An Act to Restore the Historical Boundary between Harpswell and Brunswick" scheduled for Wednesday, May 6, 3:00 p.m. before the Committee on State and Local Government. The Carrying Place Assembly emphasized that it was looking for strong support from the Selectmen on this matter. Chairman Henderson and Selectman Multer circulated copies of the testimony they planned to give. Chairman Henderson noted that he would revise his testimony to include additional points.

The Carrying Place Assembly is compiling a multi-page document (est. 40 pages) for the Committee demonstrating the justification for a review of the 1998 boundary line between Harpswell and Brunswick. Additionally, Amy Haible will testify about the flaws associated with the 1998 process and lack of information provided to Harpswell voters at that time; Laddie Whidden will clarify the historic boundary line on a display map; and Gareth Anderson will touch upon the concept of co-management plan for the shellfish flats.

Selectmen and Carrying Place Assembly members discussed the importance of convincing the Committee that it must take a look at this issue and, if needed, consider carrying it over to the next session for further examination.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:45 a.m. Members of the Carrying Place Assembly remained to continue its preparations for the hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristi K. Eiane Town Administrator